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WILL MAKE A NOISE

Every legislative body has a constitutional right to be the sole judge of the qualifications of its members.

The right of expulsion is seldom used, and frequently not utilized when the facts appear to warrant drastic action.

As a general proposition, any person not convicted of crime should be entitled to any office conferred upon him by the franchise of the people, provided he is otherwise qualified under the law.

The New York assembly established a dangerous precedent when it expelled the five Socialist members under suspension.

To judge by the large vote in favor of expulsion it would appear that the action was warranted by the facts, although we have, to further complicate the situation, the vigorous and intelligent defense of Col. Roosevelt, a thoroughgoing and upstanding American who inherited the stalwart characteristics of his illustrious father, always the champion of a "square deal," who made the principal plea for them.

The assemblymen were convicted of disloyalty. Disloyalty is another word for treason. The law providing punishment for persons guilty of sedition, disloyalty or treason is ample for the offense.

It is to be observed that the five assemblymen were not charged in the courts with offenses against the government. They were not in the position of a member of congress convicted in federal court and under prison sentence who was refused his seat in the house. There appears to have been no criminal prosecution and there is none pending.

The danger, therefore, is that the members were expelled because they were Socialists. Now under the statutes it is not a crime against the government to be a Socialist. A great many people have no sympathy with the doctrine of socialism, and no patience with those who advocate it, but at the same time individual prejudice and impetuosity are sufficiently bridled by the constitution, which makes ample provision for freedom of thought, freedom of speech, freedom of action, to guarantee security of person and property against the assaults of those who are not easily restrained when they feel that a doctrine, whether it be political or religious, is striking at the foundations of the government as it was established.

The Socialists probably will make a good deal more noise over this case than its importance warrants, for the reason that they have some justification. Five Socialists in an assembly of 150 members were a negligible quantity, and perhaps deserved no more consideration than to be ignored and given a liberal treatment of that famous remedy so distasteful to the politicians, and known as "the thunder of silence."

UNHAPPY ERIN

Civil war seems fully as certain a prospect for Ireland as it could have seemed for this country when the Southern states declared their secession from the Union.

For years the temperance of the Irish question has been steadily rising, and now there is in existence an Irish republic, whose president has received ovals in American cities.

The frantic efforts now being made by the British government to pacify the Irish with a new kind of home rule bill seem foredoomed to failure.

The Irish question is complicated by the fact that there is a problem within a problem. Ireland invokes the sacred name of self-determination for the sake of complete separation from the empire, whereupon Ulster invokes it for the sake of separation from Ireland. Ireland declares her secession from the empire, and Ulster prepares to secede from Ireland. Neither the British empire nor Ireland is ready to tolerate the secession of a member.

The British government long ago repented of its Irish tyrannies. It is prepared today to give Ireland any kind of autonomy she wants, short of recognizing her as an independent foreign power. For reasons of military necessity the empire will not go that far.

But the Irish, who during centuries of oppression have received tutelage in hatred, will accept nothing less. That is one reason why bloodshed is in store.

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GOOD SUGGESTION

This is a good time to consider the suggestion of replacing the cobblestone paving on Front street with asphalt or some other smooth-surface paving.

Not only does traffic demand the opening of this thoroughfare, but it could be made the Riverside drive of the city, connecting the North and South Parkway and completing the circuit.

The character of business on Front street has changed materially since it was paved. The heavy traffic has moved from the central portion of the city, and the grocery business has withdrawn to the warehouses and situations convenient to railroad tracks.

The drays and other heavy horse-drawn vehicles for which the street was paved to give them a foothold have practically passed away. They have been succeeded by the automobile and the truck with rubber tires.

Front street is no longer a thoroughfare for heavy hauling exclusively. The business has gone south to the freight depots and spread out to the east to Second, Third and Fourth streets.

If the city government could repave the street, remove the railroad tracks from certain portions of it on the north, construct the necessary bridges and follow the river from the extreme northern part of the city to Calhoun avenue, the achievement would be a monument to the wisdom of the administration.

When a Feller Needs a Friend—By Briggs

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HOROSCOPE

SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 1920.

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According to astrology the early hours of this day should be fortunate, for Jupiter and Neptune are in benefic aspect. After noon the Sun, Uranus and Saturn are adverse.

This is likely to be a favorable day for trade and commerce. Many new fabrics will be introduced by manufacturers of clothing.

Enterprise is well directed, for Neptune in this day's aspect is held to impart foresight and wisdom.

Under this auspicious and philosophic minds should benefit, but the new literature promised after the war will be slow in materializing in printed form.

Disappointment is foreshadowed for persons who seek positions or appointments as the sun sinks today. Aspirants for political recognition, whether they be men or women, may be subject to unkind criticism.

During this configuration gossip and slander are likely to be prevalent. The safeguarding of thought will be more and more imperative as the year advances for those who would make the best progress in any line of work.

One of the pitfalls that both men and women should avoid is ecstasies, which at this time may be more than usually prevalent, since the planetary exhibition of a charming local custom is a free show. They all stopped eating to look on, and they all laughed at the incident they had seen in a long time.

The incident illustrated the fact, which is so apparent here, that there is very little sympathy or understanding of natural human intercourse between the Latin-American and the Anglo-American. Here in Cuba, just 30 miles from native land, in a country which its own country helped to set free, where the memory of Theodore Roosevelt is worshipped, where the government is modeled after our own, the man from the United States finds himself no less in an utterly foreign country.

Agate grave mistakes and even deliberate wars in the management of hospitals will come under severe investigation.

Persons whose birthdate it is should beware of accidents in the coming year. Business may require much attention. Children born on this day may be rash and headstrong. Those subjects of Aries usually have great energy and good mentality. Mars is their principal ruling sign.

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THE HASKIN LETTER

TWO KINDS OF AMERICANS

BY FREDERIC J. HASKIN.

HAVANA, Cuba, April 2.—The other night in a crowded cafe we witnessed a meeting between two family parties of Cubans who were evidently old and dear friends long separated. They greeted each other with the warmest Cuban manner, everybody embracing everybody else. The men embraced each other as well as the women, laying cheek to cheek, and hammering each other on the back with vehement force and a loud thumping noise, after the fashion of a ring fighter delivering a kidney punch in a clinch. There was one fine old gentleman with white hair and long white mustache, who was especially enthusiastic in his greetings, and one could see that some of the younger members of the party were a trifle embarrassed by his heroic caresses, dancing around and appearing ill at ease.

And they had some right to feel ill at ease, for all of the Americans in the cafe—meaning by Americans, citizens of the United States—regarded this exhibition of a charming local custom as a free show. They all stopped eating to look on, and they all laughed at the incident they had seen in a long time.

The incident illustrated the fact, which is so apparent here, that there is very little sympathy or understanding of natural human intercourse between the Latin-American and the Anglo-American. Here in Cuba, just 30 miles from native land, in a country which its own country helped to set free, where the memory of Theodore Roosevelt is worshipped, where the government is modeled after our own, the man from the United States finds himself no less in an utterly foreign country.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Has an avowed agnostic ever been president of the United States?

A. No president has ever denied the existence of a God, and no president has ever refused to take the oath of office ending in "So help me God."

Q. How many men were with Admiral Perry when he reached the North Pole?

A. Three men accompanied Perry on his final dash to the pole.

Q. What is the complete title of the present king of England?

A. His full title is: His Most Excellent Majesty, George the Fifth, by the Grace of God King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Q. What are the rules governing the Alaska dog sled race?

A. The Alaska sweep-stake covers a distance of 416 miles and each contestant is followed as many dogs as he wishes. The driver guides the sled from the handlers at the rear and either follows on foot. Each contestant is photographed on leaving the starting point and is photographed again at the finish so that no substitution can be made. He must carry the same equipment at the finish as at the start. If a dog dies the owner must have him on the sled at the finish. The race sometimes lasts about five days, but the distance has been covered in 70 hours, about five and one-half miles per hour is the average pace.

Q. Are any members of the president's cabinet Catholics?

A. There are no Catholics in the president's cabinet. The highest official in the government of that faith is Justice White, chief justice of the United States supreme court. John Burke, treasurer of the United States, Admiral Benson, chairman of the United States board of naval affairs, and Joseph Tumulty, secretary to the president.

Q. What is the art of reading a person's character by his handwriting called?

A. It is called graphology.

Q. Did Luxemburg at any time belong to Germany?

A. Luxemburg was originally incorporated within the Holy Roman empire of Germany in 1443. It was a free city, though remaining part of the German empire. It was transferred to Austria by the peace of Linz in 1713 and to France in 1797. By the congress of Vienna, 1815, it became a grand duchy and in 1867, it was made a neutral sovereign state under a guarantee of the powers.

Q. What is the origin of the American Indian?

A. His origin is still a matter of dispute. Ethnologists believe that the Indian resembles most closely certain Mongolian and Siberian peoples. It is therefore believed by most authorities that his ancestors crossed from Alaska and thence down the coast of North America.

Q. Was Dr. Van Dyke, the author, ever a clergyman?

A. He was ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church following his graduation from college, and for a number of years he preached in Presbyterian and Congregational churches. He is at the present time a minister in the United States to the Netherlands.

Q. Is it necessary to have a passport to go from the United States into Canada?

A. United States citizens may cross the border into Canada without a passport. There is the same rule for citizens of Canada crossing into the United States.

Q. How many American troops are there in Germany?

A. The war department says there are about 15,000 American soldiers on the Rhine, under the command of Major General Henry T. Allen. The commanding general is in command of the American troops in his area around Coblenz.

Q. How long is there continued daylight in the Pole?

A. The naval observatory says that daylight is continuous at the Pole for more than six months. Counting the dawn of this long day, and its twilight, the time is nearer 10 months.

Q. Was the former czar of Russia related to King George V of England?

A. They were first cousins, being grandchildren of the Queen Victoria of England. The ex-czar of Russia is also a grandchild of the late Queen Victoria. He is also a brother-in-law of the late King George V of England.

Q. Can the beneficiary of a government insurance policy assign the benefit to some other party?

A. Government insurance is not assignable. In case of the death of the beneficiary the balance of the policy will be made to the next of kin.

Q. When did England first gain domination over Ireland?

A. This occurred in the year 1155, when Adrian IV, the first and only English pope of Rome, claimed a suzerainty over the Irish nation and granted a Bull to Henry II of England, ordering him to subjugate Ireland.

Q. How long did the Irish rebellion last?

A. The rebellion lasted from 1916 to 1921, a period of five years.

Q. How long did it take to revise the Old Testament?

A. The revision of the Old Testament was accomplished in 72 days.

Q. How long did it take to revise the New Testament?

A. The revision of the New Testament was accomplished in 10 days.

Q. How long did it take to revise the Bible?

A. The revision of the Bible was accomplished in 10 days.

Q. How long did it take to revise the Quran?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Torah?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Vedas?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Upanishads?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Bhagavad Gita?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Ramayana?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Mahabharata?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Odyssey?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Aeneid?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Eclogues?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the Renaissance?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the 20th Century?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the Future?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the Past?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the Present?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the Future?

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Q. How long did it take to revise the Wars of the Past?

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